

Kanine Korner

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No investment pays as large and constant dividends as the purchase of a dog. In service and companionship, the dog is constantly paying and repaying his original investment over a period of years.

On the average, a dog pays daily dividends in loyalty, love, alertness and unadulterated service for seven to ten years. There is still another important consideration to this investment, there is no depreciation. In fact the investment increases in intrinsic value until the day of the dog's death. His heart remains ever young, however grey his muzzle or slow his step. The purchase of a dog is the only instance in which money can buy true love.

You may own a dog but in actuality the dog owns you. He places his investment of devotion in you, as his master. It

is sometimes uncertain if you or your dog is the master for he often gets exactly what he wants even against your will. Often one is heard to say "I own this dog." Perhaps it would be more proper to say "this dog owns me."

IN A DOG cemetery just outside of Baltimore, Md., appears this heartwarming epitaph on a little dog's tombstone. "Dear Master, I've explained to St. Peter, I'd rather stay here, outside of pearly gates. I'll not be a nuisance. I'll not even bark. I'll be very patient and bide my time. I'll just sit here and chew on a celestial bone, no matter how long you may be. I miss you so very much my beloved master. If I entered paradise alone it wouldn't be heaven for me." And from Greek literature,

dated about 350 B.C., comes this epitaph for a favorite dog. "Those who passeth on this path, if by chance thou mark this monument, laugh not I pray thee, though it is just a dog's grave, tears fell for me and the dust was heaped above me by my master's hands who also engraved this paragraph on my tomb."

BOWSER BROWINGS — My radio version of Kanine Korner moves to a 4 p.m. Monday through Friday via KTYM, 1460 kc. . . . A man who knew Abraham Lincoln once said, "He was the quietest and gentlest boy I ever knew. Only time I ever saw him lose his temper was when a stranger kicked his dog . . ."

Ever hear of a booze hound? Of course, I'm only kidding! The state liquor control agents in Jacksonville, Fla., are trying to train "Hoss," a year-old German Shepherd to be a booze hound. If the "Shep" makes it, he will be used to lead investigators to moonshine stills in the

Florida backwoods. "If a dog can be trained to track a man by smell, I see no reason he couldn't be trained to lead agents to a moonshining set-up by smell," says District Supervisor Bert Finney. How about that?

Listlessness in a usually peppy dog is often the owner's first indication of illness. It could be impending fever. Take your dog's temperature at once, and if fever is present, the dog should be examined in an effort to locate the core of the trouble. If the fever continues, take the dog to a veterinarian.

OF COURSE, if a dog's activity is limited to leisurely walks on a leash and if when taken to the country or a park, is allowed to race about, he will lie about the house the following day resting his lame muscles, and is not sick at all, just a tired dog . . . Dogs kept indoors most of the time need vitamin D, the so-called sunshine vitamin which is so necessary for proper bone develop-

ment. It can be supplied by cod liver oil or other vitamin food supplements.

Contrary to popular belief, small breeds of dogs eat more in proportion to their poundage than do the larger ones. Puppies and growing dogs need two to three times as much food as a mature dog of the same breed. Puppies also need more protein, such as meat and more vitamins and minerals to meet the demands of growth.

Dog Lovers Digest goes national early in 1969 with new headquarters at 1021 Arnold St., Greensboro, N.C. 27405. A king size bark to Ray and Myna Johnson, publishers of this fine doggie magazine.

BREED OF THE WEEK . . . Every researcher of dogs seems to have a different theory about the origin of the Mastiff. The most prevalent one is that he is descended from enormous sized dogs of Asiatic derivation, the modern counterpart of the Tibetan Mastiff. Be this true or not, the Mastiff of today is the

result of more than 2000 years of selective British breeding. The name "Old English Mastiff," often used for the breed, is most appropriate.

When Julius Caesar invaded Britain in 55 B.C. he found Mastiffs there. The Romans marveled at the huge dogs and sent numbers of them back to their capital to be used in the bloody combats of the Roman Circus. Men were pitted against the animals and the animals were set upon one another. How horrible!

Someone about the year 1600 described the Mastiffs of those times as so powerful that three could down a bear and four of them could easily handle a lion. The Mastiff is described in the breed's standard as "a combination of grandeur and good nature, courage and docility."

HE IS A devoted family dog, reliable, prudent and unflinchingly good tempered at all times. During the last half century it has seemed as though the Mastiff might become extinct,

Harbor Sets Real Estate Programs

Courses in Real Estate Principles, Real Estate Practice, Real Estate Finance, and Real Estate Investments will be offered in the Evening Division at Harbor College during the Spring 1969 Semester. Those wishing to enroll must file an application by 2 p.m., Jan. 19, 1969.

Real Estate Principles will be taught on Wednesday evenings. This beginning course in real estate introduces the student to real estate fundamentals and both in England and America, but on each occasion the breed has been saved from dying out by his loyal fanciers.

The Mastiff tips the scales at about 185 pounds and in height 32 inches. That's 30 barks for now. Be columning you next week.

principles. Major topics studied are the following: real estate economics, terminology, real estate law, building and construction, real estate investment, and vocational opportunities in real estate.

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